STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE

Executive Council

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DISTRICT TWO



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Friends,

Last week our Governor & Council meeting was held on Friday for a change.

Governor Hassan nominated a "Special Commissioner" of the Public Utilities Commission (Michael Iacopino) solely to sit in on an extensive ongoing case in replacement of one of the three PUC commissioners who has recused himself from the matter due to his past work history. The Executive Council will vote on this nomination on March 12th.

Additionally, the news of the meeting was launch of contracts for a Prescription and Controlled Drug Monitoring System, which will now allow pharmacists to better understand the history of patients before handing over controlled drugs.

(full details of each item appear at the bottom of this update).

The Council also voted to approve:

IN CENTRAL NH: A \$200k community development grant to the Children's Place in Concord; a 15 bed short-term youth shelter care facility in Bradford; youth juvenile court prevention and intervention services; a non-profit bonding status for New England College in Henniker.

IN MONADNOCK & WESTERN NH: Grant funds for closure of the Unity Unlined Municipal Landfill.

IN STRAFFORD CO: Promotion of Lt Colonell Swass of Strafford to the rank of Colonel, NH Air National Guard; and youth juvenile court prevention and intervention services in Rochester.

STATEWIDE: Acceptance of \$2,450 (by a vote of 4-1 over my objection) of international flight and lodging for a Liquor Commission employee to an International wine expo in Verona, Italy (I do not object to a trip if needed for business reasons to secure products at low prices, but I do not think it is appropriate for a foreign trade commission to pay for an expensive trip for a staff member who will be making buying decisions about the products they are trying to promote; and, launch of a prescription / controlled drug monitoring system as mentioned above.

The next meeting is on March 12. If you have any questions, please don't hesitate to let me know via email at cvanostern@nh.gov or by calling me at (603) 290-5848.

Sincerely, Colin Executive Councilor, District 2

FULL 2/28 AGENDA

(or follow the links below for documentation of each item)

FULL INFORMATION

1. DETAIL: CENTRAL NH

Authorized to award a grant to the City of Concord NH, in the amount of \$200,000 to assist The Children's Place & Parent Education Center in performing upgrades at its facility in Concord, NH. Effective February 28, 2014 through December 31, 2015. **100% Federal Funds.**

Authorized to amend an agreement with NFI North Inc., Contoocook, NH, (originally approved by G&C on 6-22-11, item #249), for the provision of a 15 bed co-ed, short-term staff shelter care facility known as Midway Shelter, Bradford, NH, by increasing the price by \$1,338,578 from \$4,015,734 to an amount not to exceed \$5,354,312 and by extending the completion date from June 30, 2014 to June 30, 2015. **48% Federal, 26% General, 26% Other Funds.**

Authorized to enter into an agreement with Child and Family Services Inc., Manchester, NH, to provide juvenile court prevention and intervention services to youth up to age 18 in the Concord, Manchester and Rochester area who are at risk of delinquent behavior, struggling with mental health issues or struggling with substance use issues by providing behavioral treatment case management services, in an amount not to exceed \$179,699. Effective upon G&C approval through February 1, 2015. **100% Federal Funds.**

Authorized to accept and place on file the Report and Findings of Councilor Colin Van Ostern with regard to a certain project in participation with New England College, Henniker, NH.

2. DETAIL: MONADNOCK REGION

Authorized to award grant aid funds to the Town of Unity, totaling \$108,814 for the closure of Unity Unlined Municipal Landfill. Effective upon G&C approval. **100% General Funds.**

3. DETAIL: STRAFFORD COUNTY

Authorized the confirmation of Lieutenant Colonel Todd E. Swass, Strafford, NH, for promotion to the rank of Colonel, NH Air National Guard.

Authorized to enter into an agreement with Child and Family Services Inc., Manchester, NH, to provide juvenile court prevention and intervention services to youth up to age 18 in the Concord, Manchester and Rochester area who are at risk of delinquent behavior, struggling with mental health issues or struggling with substance use issues by providing behavioral treatment case management services, in an amount not to exceed \$179,699. Effective upon G&C approval through February 1, 2015. **100% Federal Funds.**

4. STATEWIDE PROJECTS AND POLICIES

Authorized to accept a donation from the Italian Trade Commission in the amount of \$2,450 for hotel accommodations, meals and transfers in Verona Italy for one employee to attend the 2014 Vinitaly Wine Exhibition in Verona, Italy from April 5-13, 2014.

Authorized to accept and expend funds from the Department of Justice in the amount of \$368,871 to implement the Controlled Drug Prescription Health and Safety Program. (2) Further Authorized to establish a temporary full-time position, Class 059, Administrator I,

Labor Grade 27. (3) Further Authorized to extend the temporary part-time position, Class 50, Administrator I, Labor Grade 27, expiring on June 30, 2014 to continue through March 31, 2015 (originally approved by G&C on 7-24-13, item #57). Effective upon G&C approval through March 31, 2015. 100% Other (Department of Justice Assistance Grant). Fiscal Committee approved.

5. DETAIL: APPOINTMENTS AND NOMINATIONS

(* = District 2 Resident)

New Nominations by Governor Hassan:

Board of Architects

Sonya L. Misiaszek-Monterose, Laconia, NH

Artist Laureate

Rodney Miller, Antrim, NH

Board of Chiropractic Examiners

John H. Merrick, Bedford, NH

Compensation Appeals Board

Joseph A. Dickinson, Concord, NH*

Enhanced 911 Commission

James S. Valiquet, Newbury, NH*

Fire Standards and Training Commission

Kevin Pratt, Raymond, NH

Joint Promotional Program Screening Committee

Nancy Clark, Intervale, NH

Juvenile Parole Board

Susan Kelly, Manchester, NH

Leonard J. Wetherbee, Center Ossipee, NH

New England Board of Higher Education

Thomas R. Horgan, Amherst, NH

Michele D. Perkins, Henniker, NH*

Andrew R. Peterson, Peterborough, NH

Ports and Harbors Advisory Council

Christopher D. Holt, Stratham, NH

Public Employee Labor Relations Board

Glenn Brackett, Northwood, NH

Michele E. Kenney, Portsmouth, NH

Special Commissioner of the Public Utilities Commission

Michael J. Iacopino, Manchester, NH

Residential Ratepayers Advisory Board

Richard Weaver, Gilford, NH

Rivers Management Advisory Committee

Alan Larter, Franklin, NH*

Traffic Safety Commission

Real R. Pinard, Manchester, NH

Deputy Commissioner of the Department of Transportation

Patrick K. McKenna, Gilford, NH

Confirmed by the Council:

Aviation Users Advisory Board:

Ernest F. Loomis, Concord, NH*

Christopher Nevins, Hampton, NH

Compensation Appeals Board:

Anne C. Eaton, Concord, NH*

David F. Foster, New London, NH

Mark S. Mackenzie, Manchester, NH

Robert C. Norton, Concord, NH*

Denis W. Parker, Hooksett, NH

Terence R. Pfaff, Hooksett, NH

Current Use Advisory Board:

Scott W. Bartlett, Manchester, NH

Gary J. Karp, Holderness, NH

David W. Tellman, Whitefield, NH

Dropout Prevention and Dropout Recovery Oversight Council:

Dwight Davis, Newfields, NH

Electricians' Board:

James D. Roberts, Hampton, NH

Fire Standards and Training Commission:

William S. Campbell, Amherst, NH

Judicial Council:

Matthew Houde, Plainfield, NH

Advisory Committee on Marine Fisheries:

Esther Kennedy, Portsmouth, NH

Midwifery Council:

Kathryn D. Cranford, Laconia, NH

Occupational Therapy Governing Board:

Wendi Guillette, Auburn, NH

Physical Therapy Governing Board:

Lea P. Bruch, Keene, NH*

Public Employee Labor Relations Board:

Mark Hounsell, Conway, NH

Director of the Division of Administration at the Department of Safety:

Elizabeth Bielecki, Bedford, NH

Director of the Division of Motor Vehicles at the Department of Safety:

Richard C. Bailey, Bow, NH

Director of the Division of State Police at the Department of Safety:

Robert L. Quinn, Seabrook, NH

Telecommunications Planning and Development Advisory Committee:

Theodore R. Jastrezembski, Hanover, NH